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From The President

By Gary Carls, CGCS

Thanks to Jeff Shafer and the folks at Wente Vineyards for hosting another superb GCSANC event. The staff at Wente deserves a big "THANK YOU" for all of their hard work that went in to hosting our 2nd Media Event. This is my favorite place in all of Northern California to play golf and I hope all that attended can appreciate this fine facility.

As many of you may be aware, Greg Crawford chose to resign his post as GCSANC Media Director on March 31. We were only given short notice of his departure and were surprised at the timing of his resignation. Mr. Bob Costa CGCS, who has been our media committee chair since it's inception, stepped up to the plate and has taken on the additional responsibilities to be our Media Director. We still feel we have a program that will be beneficial to our organization in the long run. Although the program has not progressed exactly as we envisioned when we started, we feel we have made significant contacts within the media to serve as a solid foundation for the future. Over the next several months we will be discussing our options as a board for continuing the Media Program. I urge all of our members to give Bob as much support as possible in the coming months to continue our program. As we have said from Day one, we need the support of our members to make this program work. Now is your opportunity to give the board your feedback in regards to the future direction of the program. What did you see that you liked? Disliked? Please let us know in the coming months. We hope to complete most of the Media Programs we had outlined for the year.

As I write this I am about to head to Lawrence, Kansas for two more days of discussion on the P.D.I. and I hope to update you further in next month's



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column. I would say that the evolution of this seems pointed in the direction of resolving the major issues brought up by the chapter presentations. Please remember that this is still in the member-input stage and I again urge you to send any comments to Ray Davies CGCS who is a member of the MSRG and our chapter. Despite what you may be reading in some of the forums, this is not a done deal. It will not be forced on anyone.

This month we will be hosting our 2nd GCSANC Field Workshop at Ruby Hill G.C. in Livermore. This is a unique event with a look at some on-site projects in a half-day educational format. There will be optional golf on the Jack Nicklaus designed course after lunch. In June the U.S. Open returns for the 100th edition at Pebble Beach Golf Links. This brings one of our chapter's most famous courses back into the national spotlight. June 26th brings GCSANC its own version of the open with the annual Supt./Pro event at Greenhills C.C. Our meetings to date have been very well attended and I hope that trend continues throughout the year. Hope to see you all at a meeting soon. ➤